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ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER
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\$50.1 MILLION IN THIRD
QUARTER OF FISCAL 1981

INTRODUCES THREE NEW LOW-COST MICROCOMPUTERS, INCLUDING 16-BIT MICROCOMPUTER

NEW YORK, NY, April 19, 1982 — Mr. Irving Gould, Chairman of the Board of Commodore International Limited (NYSE:CBU), announced today at a luncheon meeting for security analysts that "Commodore sales for the third quarter ended March 31, 1982 rose to a record \$82.1 million from \$50.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal 1981."

Mr. Gould added that "net income and earnings per share figures will be released by Commodore tomorrow and should be at least 50 % ahead of last year's third quarter record net income of \$6,825,000 and earnings per share of \$.66."

At the same meeting, Commodore announced the introduction of three new very low-cost microcomputers.

The first is a full-color, 40-column microcomputer with 128K of RAM capable of storing up to 128,000 bytes of information.

The second is an 80-column microcomputer with attached video monitor and has 128K of RAM plus built-in dual floppy disk drives with an additional 340K of storage capacity.

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The third is an 80-column, 16-bit multiprocessor microcomputer with attached video monitor and 256K of RAM memory, plus built-in floppy dual disk drives with 680K bytes of storage capacity.

Mr. Gould noted that "while the exact prices for all three microcomputers will be announced in approximately 60 days, the two 128K personal computers will be priced at less than half the price of any similarly configured personal computers now on the market with comparable built-in memory.

"As for the 256K 16-bit multiprocessor computer, there is no other personal computer now on the market to which its price should be compared, but it too will be far less expensive than similarly configured personal computers currently available with one-quarter to one-half the built-in memory of the Commodore 256K personal computer."

According to Mr. Gould, "this new third generation of Commodore micro-computers has certain new unique advanced technology not found in any personal computers now in existence. The 128K and 256K microcomputers, for example, are based on a new Commodore microprocessor, the 6509, and will be capable of accepting a Z80 microprocessor or 16-bit 8808 microprocessor, thus making the more than 2,000 CP/M based software programs, as well as others, immediately compatible with these new Commodore personal computers. This means that some software written for other personal computers will also, without or with only minor modification, be capable of use on these two Commodore micros.

Mr. Gould further stated that "the Commodore 256K multiprocessor computer includes both the Commodore 6509 and an 8088 16-bit microprocessor, the same as now found in the IBM Personal Computer, although the Commodore 256K micro has two times more built-in RAM and more than two times the floppy disk storage capacity of an IBM Personal Computer on a similarly configured basis.

Mr. Gould concluded by noting that the new Commodore personal computers announced today would be shipped starting in September.

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(NOTE: The three new Commodore microcomputers announced today will be shown for the first time at the Hanover Fair in Germany this week, and will make their U.S. debut at the National Computer Conference in Houston in June).

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